



Other Tobaccos

1997 Support Program

Dark Air-Cured

Fire-Cured

Sun-Cured

Cigar Filler & Binder

Legislative Authority

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, authorizes marketing quotas on an acreage allotment basis for various kinds of tobacco, except cigar wrapper and perique. The Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, sets the price support at the previous year's level, with an annual adjustment

based on the change in a parity index average.

Marketing Quotas

Marketing quotas, having been approved by more than two-thirds of the producers, are in effect for the following tobaccos and crop years:

Kind (type)	Crop Years			Referendum Date
Sun-Cured (37)	1995	1996	1997	March 1995
Cigar-Filler & Binder (42-44 & 53-55)	1996	1997	1998	March 1996
Fire-Cured (21-22-23)	1997	1998	1999	March 1997
Dark Air-Cured (35-36)	1997	1998	1999	March 1997

Producers in March 1995 disapproved marketing quotas for 1995, 1996, and 1997 crops of Maryland (type 32), Pennsylvania cigar-filler (type 41), and Connecticut Valley cigar-binder (types 51-52) tobaccos. The next referenda for those three kinds is scheduled to be held in March 1998. In addition, a

referendum was held in March 1996 for Cigar Filler (Type 41) tobacco in which no one voted. Because this kind of tobacco is no longer grown, a special ruling was made accepting the referendum as a "No" vote and absolves producers from future referenda unless they actively petition the Secretary of

Agriculture to reinstate the quota process.

Acreage Allotments

Following are 1996 national acreage allotments compared to 1997:

Kind (type)	1996 Allotment (acres)	1997 Allotment (acres)
Virginia Fire-Cured (21)	1,317	1,506
Kentucky-Tennessee Fire-Cured (22-23)	16,491	17,013
Kentucky-Tennessee Dark Air-Cured (35-36)	4,045	4,273
Virginia Sun-Cured (37)	110	114
Cigar Filler & Binder (42-44 & 53-55)	4,699	4,478

Producers who exceed acreage allotments for tobaccos under marketing quotas are subject to marketing quota penalties. The penalty rate is 75

percent of the previous year's average market price.

The marketing year for all tobaccos covered in this fact sheet begins October 1.

Support Level

Following are national support levels for the 1997 crops. USDA sets individual grade rates before the marketing season begins.

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Kind (type)	1997 Average Support Level (cents per pound)
Dark Air-Cured (35-36)	139.8
Fire-Cured (21)	149.8
Fire-Cured (22-23)	162.3
Sun-Cured (37)	132.6
Cigar Filler & Binder (42-44 & 53-55)	116.9

The 1997 support levels are 3.8 to 6.6 cents above 1996 support levels.

Support Method

Nonrecourse loans are available on 1997 production for the five quota tobaccos listed. Price support is provided to growers through producer associations under contractual terms with USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). The associations receive the tobacco not sold at the support rate, using funds loaned by CCC.

Producers are required to certify that they have not nested their tobacco and

also that pesticides used in producing tobacco have been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and that these products have been used in accordance with label directions.

Assessments

As a condition of price support eligibility, producers of these various kinds of tobacco must pay an assessment on each pound of tobacco marketed to ensure the price support program operates at no-net-cost, as required by the No Net Cost Tobacco Program Act of 1982.

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	Production (million lbs.)	National Average Loan Level (cents per lb.)	No-Net-Cost Assessment (cents per lb.)	Average Price to Farmers (cents per lb.)	Farm Value (million \$)
Virginia Fire-Cured Tobacco (type 21)					
1991	3.6	133.2	12	152.6	5.4
1992	2.6	136.7	13.3165	161.5	4.2
1993	1.9	139.5	11.3025	171.9	3.3
1994	2.4	140.7	7.2965	161.2	3.9
1995	1.5	143.0	15.285	162.5	2.4
1996	1.7	145.5	3.2725	178.7	3.0
1997		149.8	2.2510		
Kentucky-Tennessee Fire-Cured Tobacco (types 22-23)					
1991	29.3	136.7	1.3165	213.4	62.6
1992	34.2	142.1	1.2895	217.3	74.4
1993	39.0	146.4	.768	219.4	85.6
1994	45.9	148.3	1.2585	209.2	96.0
1995	37.7	151.8	1.241	217.2	81.9
1996	42.5	155.7	1.2215	211.0	89.7
1997		162.3	0.1885 ¹ 1.1885 ²		
Kentucky-Tennessee Dark-Air-Cured Tobacco (types 35-36)					
1991	8.7	116.9	.831	184.0	16.1
1992	10.3	121.7	.8915	169.4	17.4
1993	11.1	125.5	.8725	171.5	19.0
1994	11.7	127.3	1.3635	168.5	19.7
1995	8.5	130.4	2.3480	176.2	15.0
1996	8.6	133.9	2.3305	191.1	16.4
1997		139.8	0.301 ¹ 1.301 ² 2.301 ³		
Virginia Sun-Cured Tobacco (type 37)					
1991	.1	117.7	12	143.4	.2
1992	.1	120.8	13.396	138.0	.2
1993	.1	123.3	11.3835	152.1	.2
1994	.1	124.5	7.3775	147.6	.2
1995	.1	126.5	15.3675	153.0	.2
1996	.1	128.8	3.356	178.2	.2
1997		132.6	2.337		
Cigar Binder Tobacco (types 53-55) (Wisconsin)					
1991	15.2	101.4	0	0	23.5
1992	12.8	105.4	0	0	19.1
1993	6.6	107.4	0	0	9.6
1994	5.9	108.4	.458	13.958	8.6
1995	6.2	110.1	.4495	.4495	9.0
1996	5.1	112.0	.44	.44	7.6
1997		116.9	.4155	.4155	

¹Eastern Dark Fired Tobacco Growers Association

²Western Dark Fired Tobacco Growers Association

³Stemming District Tobacco Growers Association